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### TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCEDNING A SURMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 107748

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 33 0.3.C. 371							
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/GB04/03249		INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 27/07/2004	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 28/07/2003				
	TITLE OF INVENTION IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING TO STAIRLIFTS						
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Titchener, Nigel and Foster, David H.							
	Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:						
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	This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.						
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5. <b>X</b>	A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))						
	a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).						
	b. x has been communicated by the International Bureau.						
	c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).						
6.	An English language translation of the	e International Application as filed (35 U.S.	C. 371(c)(2)).				
1	a. Is attached hereto.						
·	b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).						
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	c. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.						
	d. X have not been made and will not be made.						
8.	An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).						
9. X	An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).						
10. 🗌	An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).						
Items '	11 to 20 below concern document(s	) or information included:					
11. X	An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.						
12. 🗌	An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.						
13. X	A preliminary amendment.						
14.	An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.						
15.	A substitute specification.						
16. 🗌	A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.						
17.	A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825.						
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